Table 12—Demographic characteristics of hired farmworkers by type of work, 2000

Annual averages Characteristic Crop production Livestock production Agricultural services All hired farmworkers Thousands Total 468 328 82 878 Percent Racial/ethnic group: White 29.8* 73.0* 43.1 47.2 Hispanic 62.9* 21.5* 52.6 46.4 Black and others 7.3 5.5 4.3 6.4 Gender: Male 67.4* 83.9 83.0 82.1 17.9 Female 16.1 17.0 32.6* Age (years): Less than 20 9.9 19.0 17.8 14.0 12.1 12.0 20-24 11.8 11.8 25-34 21.8 25.2 23.1 23.2 35-44 25.2 19.8 30.8 23.7 45-54 14.5 17.0 12.6 7.6 55 and over 12.6 14.0 11.6 8.9 Median age 37 32 34 35 Marital status: Married 57.2 52.2 54.2 55.0 Widowed, divorced 9.0 7.8 6.6 8.3 or separated 33.8 Never married 40.0 39.2 36.7 Schooling completed: 18.9* 4.9* 15.4 13.4 0-4 years 5-8 years 26.7* 12.2* 23.5 21.0 9-11 years 18.2 26.1 18.2 21.2 12 years¹ 21.6 31.6 26.4 25.7 13 or more years 14.6 25.2* 16.5 18.7 Citizenship status: 51.7* U.S. citizen 84.2* 54.8 64.1 Not U.S. citizen 48.3* 15.8* 45.2 35.9 Census region: Northeast 3.2* 12.1* 7.2 10.7 31.4* 7.0* 18.4 South 11.2* Midwest 26.4 35.9 23.9 29.7 58.4* 44.7 West 59.2* 20.6*

Source: Calculated by ERS using data from the Current Population Survey earnings microdata earnings file.

¹ To be included under 12 years of education completed, a diploma, GED, or equivalent degree must have been granted

^{*}Significantly different from all hired farmworkers at the 95-percent confidence level.